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Cambridge men show solidarity with the homeless.
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Lyn McElmura is a gender-violence advocate who says it is vital that LGBTQ people are visible so people are made an emotional connection with them. McElmura took part in the Human Library event at Concordia LRC Feb. 14.

Human books share their stories

BY JAY STRANDBERG

At Concordia's 18th annual Human Library, "human books" talked about their experiences and answered questions from their "readers."

This unique event was founded in Copenhagen, Denmark in 2000 to promote dialogue, reduce prejudice and challenge stereotypes.

At Concordia, the interactive form of storytelling was held by the Student Life department on Feb. 14 in the Library Resource Center.

Non people volunteered to be human books and spent about 15 minutes talking to their readers.

Each human book was assigned an article with a topic, bias and even a suggested list of questions for them. A book cover was designed with their picture and name on it and put in a box where books would stand on their table. Staff and volunteers encouraged readers to ask out to the human books in order to learn from their unique experiences.

Student Life program manager Christy Olenowski said, "It was so very important to meet with someone like this and learn from them."

The books ranged from someone of sexual assault to an international student who struggled with feelings of isolation. There was a student

with learning disabilities who overcame isolation, and a person who struggles with a gender and sexuality that varies from the norm.

Lyn McElmura is a gender-violence advocate, but she likes the term gender-queer. "I'm not in the binary," McElmura said. "I'm somewhere in between."

McElmura 41 and they are bisexual because it is a term people understand, but really both more polysexual, which means they are potentially attracted to either gender or people who are also gender-neutral.

"Just for me, if you're not gay or, I'm gay," McElmura said.

McElmura added, "I was born this way and this is who I am. I feel fully like all aspects of who I am are on the table. It took a long time to get to that point."

McElmura took part in the Human Library because "it is really important that LGBTQ people are visible and that people get to know them and talk to them and learn."

All of the books in the Human Library wanted to share their stories. Students sharing a what got them through their struggle personally. And finally, a Concordia social service worker shared, came back to school after many years of struggling with addiction.

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Taking the plunge for a good cause

BY SHARON MARLEY

Is there any better way to contribute to a charity than jumping into cold water on a cold day?

Concordia students participated in the 36th annual Polar Plunge on Feb. 17 outside the Dome campus cafeteria. The students raised money each year for a charity.

"Every year all the grounds that are raised from our polar plunges, the people who are participating, give it a charity that we pick," said Cameron Jones, president of CSI. "This year we are doing Varsity for Learning, which is great. It's on Windows."

CSI was hoping the 2007 event would raise \$3,000, but they far exceeded that amount, with plungers bringing in approximately \$12,000. Participants raised the money by asking people to sponsor them and, in turn, promised to jump into a pool of frigid water some 32 degrees.

"It's just up to them to raise as much as they can," Jones said. "I mean, if they want to go to \$5 or \$10 or \$20. That's amazing and it's still a great contribution."

The students vary every year and come from the participants are not exclusively local.

"You can be anything that you want. You can be in your regular clothes or you can be wearing something that you want to claim," he said. "Whatever you want, it doesn't matter, it can even be Queen Elsa from Frozen."

Local TV and radio stations covered the event and MTV reporter Lindsay Morrison and CBS 3 News Studio 3 news anchors, Jesse David and Cheryl Lane, participated in the plunge.

"It's good to have had other local stations coming in and wrapping the event," said Jones.

Just before 7 a.m. on Feb. 17, a group of students and staff were lined up outside of Concordia College's Cambridge campus to take the plunge. She is also an event staff member at CSI and said she was terrified of how cold the water was going



PHOTO BY SHARON MARLEY

Brittany Greig, a CSI board of directors, joined in the fun and took the plunge in CSI's 36th annual Polar Plunge Feb. 17. For more photos, see Page 6.

to be. After her jump, she said the day was beautiful and it wasn't that bad.

"The jump was very cold and I shivered a little bit, I

shivered my toes too, which did not prepare me at all," said Carlson. "But overall, it is for a good reason, so I can't complain."

Now deep thoughts ... with Conestoga College

Random questions answered by random students
If you could be invisible for a day,
what would you do?



"I would roam around
anonymously."

Marcus Katsaris,
first year
clinical and medical care nursing

"I would go about kicking
people."

Shelley Smith,
first year
clinical and medical care nursing



"I would go to a hotel
restaurant and eat
everything."



Alien Meung,
second year
biotechnology

"I would shut up all my
friends for teasing me."

Brennwald Buggitt,
first year
computer applications security



"I would like to ride in all the
busy cars around me."



Russell Karpovich,
first year
computer applications
security

"I would probably just pump
up a plane to Air Canada's
flight away."

Jessylin Bismar,
second year
lecturer of science in nursing



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FELBERT CARTOONS



By L. Felbert



By Mark Lewis (Editorial Cartoons)

Drone sales are sky high

BY BRADLEY FULMER

"The future is here?" And although we do not have flying cars on television, we have drones that range from the size of a bee to a plane jet. They can be controlled from the ground through an app on your phone or a remote that comes with the drone.

Unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), better known as drones, were originally used as military assets in areas that were too difficult or risky to send in military personnel. However, the use of these drones has now expanded to even our real world.

"We have definitely seen a spike in production and sales of drones," said Adrian Yoon, an employee at Aircore Lakeview, a Waterloo, a company that builds and provides drones to companies around the world. "We see a lot of young adults buying them, planning to use them for some sort of project."

In Canada and the U.S., the popularity of commercial drones has skyrocketed. By 2015, it was estimated that there were nearly one million drones sold solely for commercial use.

They are being used for videography, photography, and even investigations and search. Emergency responders use drones to locate people in hot zones, and to search for lost children and people in forests. The camera that is often mounted on the UAV helps them search from a birds-eye view.

However, critics of the drone are concerned about the UAV returning to its original destructive intent. The first prototype aircraft was built during the First World War and was used as a aerial torpedo. Lady Gaga's ballroom performance at the Super Bowl was pre-recorded because drones are not allowed within 100 metres of the field due to the close of terrorist activity.

"It's the new trend," said Yoon. "Like everything else



FROM BY BRADLEY FULMER

The Phantom 3 drone is a consumer sized drone capable of 500 degree video. However, the battery only lasts 20 minutes. Using GPS coordinates, the drone will return to the user once the battery reaches a low level.

due to the new and technology that will probably be replaced by next year."

Prices for personal drones range from \$150 to \$1,500. Most come with a camera.

But like most technology, these drones aren't perfect. The drone's battery is the biggest problem. As the drone gets bigger, the battery life gets shorter. The full Phantom 3 drone is a medium sized drone with a battery that only lasts 20 minutes. Although this drone is programmed to return to the GPS locked coordinates when the battery reaches a certain level, this means users with a short range time and constant battery charges.

And that is not the only problem. Wind plays havoc when flying drones. Due to the size of these mass mediums, wind can easily catch the drone and carry it miles away from the user.

Another annoyance is, depending on the drone, the remote can be cumbersome, meaning you must push the joystick right to go left and forward to go backward. For a first time flyer this can be confusing.

"Most people think that flying a drone is easy," said Joe

Wilson, of St. Catharines an avid drone enthusiast for the Waterloo Waterloo Technology Society. "In reality, it is not as easy as it looks. It takes a lot of experience and learning from your mistakes."

Wilson said the first time he flew a drone the wind caught it and, due to his inexperience, it crashed and ran the ground, breaking the camera for the camera. It caused a rash by only a few inches.

"I believe there needs to be regulations for the non-personal use," said Wilson. "But I also believe that some pleasure drones should be limited to within 50 feet of the operator."

Transport Canada has a number of rules and laws for the flying of drones, however, the agency does not go into depth for personal and commercial use.

In an extensive summary for stakeholders issued in June 2016, the agency said it was continuing to work on a approach to safely integrate the UAV's into the airspace.

In particular, they are looking at an app mechanism for flying, just permits for small UAV's and requiring liability insurance for all UAV users.

Currently there is only a permit required for recreational use of drones. According to Wilson, this permit took over 20 days to obtain.

Wilson said he planned to fly close to airports, military bases and prisons.

Recently in Quebec, police officers were stopping up to 10 drones a week that were trying to bring cameras down and photographing weapons and alcohol.

An employee at the Waterloo International Airport said drones are not a major issue there, as they have not been moved about significantly. The regulations, which state simply that drones can't fly in the regulated airspace for pleasure are in place for the Waterloo airport. They have yet to experience a drone in the area so they are unsure of how they would rule on UAV drones of interest.

Region lacks affordable housing

BY DELANE FLINCH

Natalia Carter, who has been "cramming" strangers in since she was 12 and says within nine she was 14, can hardly say she is done with them. The former Windsor resident is now 35, which means that those substance users were a part of her life for more than a decade.

While these subusers and delinquents have played a part in her continuing substance abuse from these substances, having her own space to live has been a big contributing factor. Carter also struggles with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) from a traumatic past, and has experienced homelessness on and off for almost four years. She has been in her new state she was 18 and first signed a lease for a house in the age of 21.

She has lived in shelters, on streets, and on the many couches her mom, who has made homes in a truck trailer and even a tent in the forest. She has been sick, she has been beaten and she has had domestic violence.

"I don't know how I can sleep half the time. I've dropped a lot of babies and I've agreed a lot of apologies when it came to taking my own life," she said.

Despite this Carter was a better future. She often dreams of running her own cafe one day, because she enjoys coming up with all kinds of unique concepts on the kitchen. She has even considered culinary school.

She has also contemplated becoming a social worker to be in the kind of workers who would really help others move forward in life, the kind of person who so desperately needed but never seemed to find.

But Carter's biggest passion, one of the only things that has remained constant in her life through all the chaos, is her music. Listening to her lyrics, it is clear that a lack of intelligence is certainly not what has kept her down in life.

The musician has created multiple bands in developing himself as a rapper. She has written the lyrics, she has sung in the studio, and she has even written her own lyrics. She has performed on stage and in open space across the region and at times made some income through booking. She is currently working on finishing her first album, which will be entirely made up of original songs and original beats, hoping to sell it as a source of income.

But all of these dreams and possibilities hang on her having stability and without having a reliable place to live,



Former Windsor resident Natalia Carter says people in the trailer, one of the many places she found shelter in during her time on the streets. She has been in shelters, slept on streets, and even in a tent in the forest as she struggled to find an affordable place to live.

stability just doesn't seem possible.

Research shows overwhelming that affordable and supportive housing is necessary in meeting our poor and marginalized citizens' demand for life.

There are lots of reasons from cities that finding affordable and supportive housing costs more money in other areas, such as health and police services. From 2009 to 2013 a massive effort conducted in five major Canadian cities called *As Home? Yes* has that analyzed over 2,000 participants' experiences that a housing first approach is better because it costs less and more economical and more effective approach.

Yes, there remains a significant lack of housing here in Windsor Region. Carter said she moved there when she first tried to apply for affordable housing.

"It is a hell you that when I did live in the region and I applied for housing they told me it would be a matter of a month I had a child," said Carter.

According to a report on housing in Windsor Region published in 2015, most families there were common. The report suggested there were nearly over 10,000 affordable housing units in the region with a wait list of almost 2,000. Affordable housing is housing that is subsidized and at such rate is rented out at below market value.

The report also said expect of most cases for a single non-student person were between four and six years. The situation is now even worse, with wait times for



Carter records a track for the rap album she has been working on for the past year.

single non-student living six years or longer. Even for families, the minimum wait time is at least three years.

"We should be getting more low-income housing for single individual people," said Carter.

Carter, whose PTSD could qualify her for supportive housing for mental health, would experience long wait times for the kind of housing as well. Supportive housing is also subsidized in order to more affordable but comes with the added benefit of providing support to the specific needs of the residents. That for Carter, access to this kind of housing would have helped on a proper diagnosis which is often difficult for those with mental illness to obtain.

Since then, she moved to Kitchener-Waterloo and church member Karen Dixon has noticed the lack of help for those as someone similar to Carter's. "Supportive housing is

hard to find in Kitchener-Waterloo" and Street.

Street, Dixon and others at the church have been making attempts the greater community to repurpose a building on their property as a day house for women.

"Women who are recovering from addictions, after they have finished treatment, frequently do not have a place to live" and Dixon.

Kitchener-Waterloo offers a drop-in center there after, about a week, called the Drop-In Centre for the homeless or marginally housed. Street and Dixon have found the difficulty for many women in finding adequate housing.

"We had a couple guys here who were trying to leave, some people were in bad situations — which usually came out and to be my god because they still get out of all the time" said Dixon, who has tried to help people find places to live.

"I had a few people around to look at some rooms that were for rent — things that I got made out there — it was difficult when they have to have first and last month's rent."

The decision to leave the housing was made due to the fact that no such housing existed in the region. There were two day houses for men but none for women.

Carter has lived in Windsor Region for most of her life and although she has thought about and attempted to quit her addictions many times over the last few years, her strength has been limited on that.

"You cannot fix any illness or addiction without some form of supportive housing," said Carter, and Dixon.

Most of the places where Carter could afford to stay or where people would in fact stay temporarily only made the challenge of quitting even more difficult, and were not what someone struggling with PTSD.

Carter said spending time on the streets often causes more harm than good.

"You have all these people with all these problems in one place — what will a help of if you're a drug addict and people and stay with all these drug addicts?"

Wendy says she said it often who don't have addictions, such as the recently 40, was sent drug addicts in the shelter and end up trying drugs for the first time.

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Polar Plunge a chilling success

PHOTOS BY MEGHAN WEAVER/CSO

Goosebumps from top left: Brittany Grogg, a CSO board of director stands nervously before taking the plunge at CSO's Polar Plunge on Feb. 12, Victoria Culture, a first year Cowichan leader of environmental public health studies, leaped the chilly temperature. Cowichan's mascot pretended that he was going to jump in. Cowichan Jones, CSO president, welcomed the crowd to the event; judges and attendees of all ages at the splash zone; and Kimberly Dumas, a first year Cowichan environmental engineering applications student, is shown after her plunge into the pool of frigid water.



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Dolphin hunt must end

BY MICHAEL WEATHERALL

Another year, another slaughter in Tapp, Japan, where we go to put an end to the annual dolphin hunt.

This season has been going on for years and started the documentary *The Cove*. The film, created by the Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, Anthony Davis, shows how the Japanese government has used the hunt to keep the country's secret, unacknowledged. Once the dolphins are trapped, fishermen shoot them with knives and spears that are aimed to the side of their head.

Female dolphins that serve as the healthy young enough to have babies and most the medical care of being animals are sold to zoos and aquariums. Forty per cent are sold to businesses in Japan, the rest are shipped to places like China and the Middle East. From 2005, the number of dolphins killed is estimated to be close to 1-200. The dead dolphins are sold at a market on most weekends located at the same place. Approximately 750 dolphins have been sold to aquariums and zoos.

The cove hunt lasts from September to March. Due to the popularity of the hunt, dolphins that are the source of Japan's cove hunt are becoming scarce.

The World Association of Zoos and Aquariums and that of Japanese dolphin culture oppose to the dolphins taken from the Tapp, Japan. China of the Tapp, they will lose their partnership with the community.

What is happening to these dolphins is the same as what happened to the dolphins in the Tapp. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums.

The practice of keeping whales and dolphins anywhere but the ocean is a cruel and inhumane practice. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums.

Conservation and organizations continue to stop the dolphins from being taken to the Tapp, Japan. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums. The dolphins are taken to the Tapp, Japan, and then they are sold to zoos and aquariums.

The cove hunt represents the practice of the cove hunt, not a necessary for the cove hunt.

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Trump should have to play by his own rules.

We need to hold Trudeau accountable

While his great love, a better world and a better future, is the future of the world, the future of the world is the future of the world. The future of the world is the future of the world. The future of the world is the future of the world.



Wendy Newman
Political Analyst

opinion

Canada is a beautiful country. Canada is a beautiful country. Canada is a beautiful country. Canada is a beautiful country. Canada is a beautiful country.

I remember feeling proud once upon a time to be living in a country that kept its head down and kept its head down. I remember feeling proud once upon a time to be living in a country that kept its head down and kept its head down.

Our focus on American politics needs to be shifted to our backyard. We have a lot of people fighting for their rights and for our land. It is important for them and it is important for us to support Canadians and their.

66 Prime Minister Justin Trudeau promised to be the climate leader Canadians wanted ... ??

We have to keep informed and stay on top of what our new Prime Minister is promising him at the time. Trudeau promised to be the climate leader Canadians wanted and promised that Canada was "back". However, a year later he appeared on the news and said that Canada was "back".

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HOROSCOPE

Week of March 6, 2017



Aries

March 21 - April 19

Expect to travel to a warm place soon as your partner will try to surprise you.



Libra

September 23 - October 23

A change of environment will bring out the best in you. Make sure those already acquired qualities stay with you.



Taurus

April 20 - May 20

Jealousy will not pull anything away from everything you want instead of being critical.



Scorpio

October 24 - November 21

You have lost so much time just going to it as time to spend and is a better position.



Gemini

May 21 - June 21

This will be a wonderful week to start everything that you have always been interested in.



Sagittarius

November 22 - December 21

Your health will start to get better if you distance yourself from negativity.



Cancer

June 22 - July 22

The calendar will get all red with upcoming events. Plan accordingly.



Capricorn

December 22 - January 19

Your solutions will have an upside. Unleash all your positive energy to achieve your goals.



Leo

July 23 - August 22

Responsibilities might be overwhelming but they will be extremely rewarding in the long run.



Aquarius

January 20 - February 18

It is time to think about your future seriously. If you do not act now it might be too late.



Virgo

August 23 - September 22

Spend some time with your family this week, it will do you good.



Pisces

February 19 - March 20

Keep getting closer to your family. This will set a good example for your kids too.



Wisconsin Dells is the top-rated resort in the state. She also enjoys people watching and coffee.

Oh Girl!



Girl's favorite words are the ones between words.

Useless Facts

Paper originally contained paper that the name.

The main library at Indiana University sells used on both every year because when it was built, engineers failed to take into account the weight of all the books that would occupy the building.

The "do" over the letter "f" is called a fiddle.

Chinese peafowl dogs can get sore.

Rubber bands don't longer when refrigerated.

Sudoku Puzzle

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Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodate the digits 1-9, without repeating any.

Word Search

Birthday

F	U	J	P	O	L	W	E	K	R	I	B	B	D	N	D	BALLOONS
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I	I	J	B	A	L	L	D	O	N	S	P	T	T	R	L	PRESENTS
E	F	W	Y	O	D	N	G	C	H	A	H	Z	E	F	D	GIFTS
N	T	V	M	Y	T	Q	V	E	R	A	F	E	T	O	M	PARTY
D	S	U	G	P	B	X	E	T	T	D	T	S	A	O	U	FRIENDS
S	E	M	A	G	A	A	Y	S	K	I	Z	T	R	B	D	CAKE
S	Q	B	S	Q	C	C	D	E	N	Z	Y	N	B	U	I	CANDLES
V	E	N	S	A	B	E	K	O	G	O	A	E	E	T	H	GAMES
L	S	L	P	O	S	I	S	A	J	A	P	S	L	Z	M	SCORES
A	E	A	D	S	N	S	R	E	G	D	J	E	K	E		CARDS
O	Z	F	E	N	K	O	E	T	H	E	N	B	C	J	R	DINNER
K	I	R	W	N	A	X	S	T	H	S	P	E	O	B		FUN
G	T	R	I	S	P	C	I	Z	A	D	I	A	M	J	P	GREETINGS
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CELEBRATE

POWWOW BEATS THROUGH CONESTOGA

There were many different types of aboriginal dancers at Conestoga College's semi-annual powwow. Single, flirty and traditional were the women's categories and flirty, goose and traditional were the men's. They circled around the drummers who were positioned in the middle of the Conestoga Student Recreation Centre gymnasium. For video story, go to www.upconestoga.com.

PHOTO BY BRIGGS CLARK



'EDUTAINER' EDUCATES TO END STIGMA



PHOTO BY KELLY LUNDHAGEN

Paul Kennedy, an "edutainer" at Little Ray's Reptile Zoo, lays down with the ice's colleagues. All, on Feb. 28 at Kingston Centre. He was demonstrating how friendly the alligator really is in an attempt to end the stigma of them being dangerous creatures. Little Ray's Reptile Zoo also tries to spread the word that snakes are better than people think. For video story, go to www.upconestoga.com.

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